## TO DIE TO-MORROW.

Three Men in Bloomsburg, Pa., To Be Hanged.

FEARS OF VIOLENCE.

No Hope for the Molly Maguires, Tully and McHugh.

HESTER'S CASE.

Strong Allegations of His Innocence-A Wife's Fidelity Tested.

STATEMENT OF A MINER.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE HERALD.] BLOOMSBURG, Pa., March 23, 1878. It is safe to say that Mr. Franklin knew whereof he spoke yesterday to some of the leading officers of the sounty when he declared that an attempt at rescue of the prisoners, Tully and McHugh, was mooted in sircles where the Molly Maguire society prodominates. Mr. Charles R. Buckslew, attorney for Frank B. Gowen and the Reading Railroad, states that such a matter has been brought to his notice, and that be admitted that it was well enough to take recautionary measures and increase the guard to och numbers as to be able to copp with the Mollies should they attempt to create a disturbance. The suggestion was to draft from the large torce of the poal and iron police of Schuylkill county, who are under the pay of the Reading Railroad, men in sufprivate detectives. They could act with the large force of special constables and the 100 deputy sheriffs authorized by the County Commissioners.
PROVIDING A GOOD FORCE.

"They own the road," said Mr. Buchalew, referring to the Reading Railroad, "and the men are under pay, and it will not cost them much to run a carload over its track to-morrow, Sunday." The first detachment from Schuylkill arrived this evening, and immediately proceeded to the jail, where it is now encamped. How many more can be spared from Schuyl-kill county for the detail to-morrow is unknown here. The guards have all been stationed on the inside of the jail up to this time.

RECOXNOITRING PARTIES. An incident happened to-day that may cause change of tactics. Half a dozen men were seen examining the walls of the jailyard, and when discovered they started on a lively run for the woods back of the fail. It is conjectured that they were interested in the release of the ill-fated men and were reconneitring. Information from Mount Carmel, Locust Gap and Centralia, the home of Hester, where onment, is to the effect that meetings have been held every day and night since the 19th inst, the day on which the Board of Pardons relused to interfere in behalf of Hester, and that these assemblies have been continued frequently until late into the hight. The tenor of the messages is to warn the Columbia county officials of an apprehended raid to-morrow evening. PREPARING TO MEET A MOB.

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The warning is being heeded. A double line of sentries are on daty to-night and the streets are crowded with curious speciators. It is allifact to puss through the main street, and the carrying of small, arms is freely discussed. An attack upon the jail is possible; the tactics will probably be something after the programme adopted a year ago auring the final. At that time the Molies had not usen so thoroughly studied as now, and the plan for surprising the guard and releasing the prisoners was well planbed and nearly successful. The town was set on fire at both extremities simultaneously with the expectation of drawing altention to those points; but its buildings did not ignite weil, and the alarming configuration contemplated dus not occur. The collis for Peter Meilight arrived to-day sau was removed from the express wagon to the basement of the jail, hundreds of people gazing upon the box as a learlist omen.

In this gathering I heard mutterings of hatred for those who had rendered themserves conspicuous by prosecuting the Moliles.

TAYING TO SAYE HESTER.

Colonel Quay, a member of the Board of Pardons, who refused to join with the two defineration members of the Board as to the question of Hester's guit for several days, almost balanced the scale of justice in flavor of Hester. What influence or what evidence changed his mind is not known, but I do know that Colonel Quay argued to misself that the presumption of Hester being a party to the mutder of Res for the sake of pecuniary gain was not reasonable. That Hester, a business man and well versed in the local events of the neighborhood, must have known that Friday, and not Saturday, was the pay day and therefore would not be likely to go on an expedition of that character when he knew the game had been bagged. Again, lessee was not a poor pass, but had night the passible of the destination of

VISITS FROM PRIENDS.

spaied Hester's doom.

VISITS FROM FRIENDS.

Mrs. Hester came from Locust Gap, twenty-seven miles, to-day and was elested with her husband for several hours this afternoon and evening. Hester's brother Owen, and John McHagh, nephew of the condemned, and the only relative he has in this country, are in town. Mrs. Tully arrived late this afternoon, with her husband and Father Patrick. The meeting was of the most affecting character. The latiner drew his child to his bosom and bathed its way hair in tears of love and repentance. Strong men who have witnessed many sed scenes for the past year in that old ramshackle cailed a jail were moved with pity.

A TALK WITH MRS. HESTER.

Your correspondent had an interview with Mrs. Heater this evening at her notel. Sie is a lady of pleasant appearance, was dressed in deep mourning, and her isce bore evidence of much grief. She is somewhat corpulent. She wore upon her left hand ingers four heavy gold rings, and ner clothing and bearing evinced good breeding and comfortable circumstances. She was weeping when I was presented, but soon nuch occasions I said, "You have been to Sunbury this week to see your attorney with reference to snother appeal to the Governor in lavor of your husband, have you not?"

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will have been to Sunbury to see Mr. Wolverton, to ascertain if anything could be done."
"Have you any hopes of any mercy or postponement of your husband's late from the Governor?"
"I have none. Everything has been done that could be done. I have worked as hard as I could and endeavered to unravel the mystery that seems to have been woven around my husband and is carrying him to an ignominous death, but I can see no hope now to save him. The time is too snort. Something that I know nothing about has conspired against him, it is in the dark; it is for politics, all for politics, They have been seeking his life for ten years. He was shot at once, a long while ago, because he would not turn republican. Hey missed him, but hit the horse. I learn from a gettleman just from Harrisburg, however, that Colonel Farrar, the Governor's private secretary, will be here on Monday with a conditional reprieve or pardon. I don't know that he wilk. I have no hope. They are bound to hang my man, no matter what the evidence is for him; out it is some consolation to himself and his family that he dies an innocent man."

"Have you no hope of intercession, of the offices of the pricat? If Mr. Hester is innocent he will induce Tully and McHugh to exculpate him at the last moment."
"I don't know. All I can say is that Patrick is as

ment."
"I don't know. All I can say is that Patrick is as innocent on the death of Mr. Rao as you are. Why, they were atways good friends, and Mr. Rue was a new man."

What is the centiment of the people in the neighborisond where you live?"
"They con't believe that he will hang. All the working people hope that he will not. They don't believe that the State will nang an innocent man."
"Up to this hour, ten c'diock P. M., there has been

A MAN WHO HELPED TO MURDER BAE DECLARES HESTER INNOCPRIT-A STRANGE STATEMENT BY WAY OF CHICAGO.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE HERALD.]

Cnicago, March 23, 1878.

A special from Peeria, Ill., says last Saturday night a coal miner in this city, whose name is sup-pressed at his own request, lest he should be annoyed by parties interested in this matter, on returning to me was shown by his wife a copy of the Illustrated Police News of the date of February 28, 1878. The sheet contained a portrait of Rester, Rae and Kelly and Hester's tavern at Locust Gap Junction, Pa. The miner immediately recognized the pictures of Hester and Keily and the cut of the tavern. Himself and wite formerly resided in that vicinity. He knew the parties, and on Monday morning last he went to the law office of Mr. L. Harman and made the following state-

A STRANGE APPIDAVIT I am thirty-two years of age and now reside in Peoria. I have been a coal miner for fifteen years. In 1871 I was working in Pennsylvania as a minor in Conners' Colliery, adjacent to the town of Gorardville, Schuyikill county. In 1870 I was married to my wite, who was formerly a resident of Locuat Gap, Pa. One evening, about five o'cock, in the latter part of August, 1871, I returned home and went across the street to wasn mysel in a little shed that was used as a wash house. While I was busy the door opened and in came Dan Keily. Before I wont ever my wife and in came Dan Keily. Before I wont ever my wife sud a neighboring woman told me "Dan" had been inquiring for me that afternoon; that he was a dangerous man, and that he had sworn by his God if I was not the right kind of a "fardown" he (Kelly) would kill or put a head on me.

A DANGEROUS VISITOR.

When Kelly came into the shed I was a little startled, remembering what the women had said, Kelly said:—
"Halion, old fellow, how do you do?"
I said, "Good evening, air."

Then he asked me if I had been in Locust Gap lately.

"Halloo, old fellow, how do you do?"
I said, "Good evening, sir."
Then he asked me if I had been in Locust Gap lately.
I said I was.
Kelly then asked me what I thought of him.
I said I thought he was a perfect gentleman. Then Kelly said, "The poor old man i he is accused of a good oear of things that he is not guilty of. He got into a heap of trouble about the kining of that man Kae, but he had necening to do with it at all. I asked him to help do that jot, and Hester's reply was that he wanted that thing stopped; that Rae had been his friend. Kelly then said I told him to "give me your revolver and we will try to get along without you," but the old man wouldn't even give me that, but said he wanted that thing stopped right there and he wouldn't have any piraon harm inm. Then Hester said, "Let's all take a drink and hear no more about it. That man Rae is my friend."

"was nin if it in the same to was finocent; that the plot was carried on and executed without Hester's knowing anything about it. This news fined me with horror. I took Kelly across the street and treated him twice to get rid of him. Kelly was sightly drulk when he came to see me. I was at a loss to know gray he confided this to me; but as soon as I returned home in the evening my wile told me that she had known Kelly before she was married, while she lived is Locust Gap; that he was a desperate and a bas character. One day she saw him rob a coul mine in broad daylight; that he had been guilty of attacking other people, and that his real name was McEanus Kull, and that in consequence of these crimes he had run away and changed his name, and that he reason he called of me now was so that my wife would not tell on him, and that it she did he would gather some scoundreds like himself and bear that and see had been murdered, and only learned it alterward from my wife. I never spoke to Hester, nor am I in any way intorested in him, nor am I a Molly Maguire, I knew nothing of these subsequent events until my wife came in with that copy of the Hustrated N

took the miner's affidavit and sent a despatch to Mrs. Hesser and to the Sourceary of the State of Pennsylvania. An answer was received at once and the affidavit was ordered to be forwarded. The hanging will likely be delayed, since the affidavit will not get there until Monday. It the miner's statement is true Hester's life will be saved.

THE WEST VIRGINIA HORROR.

DESCRIPTION OF THE SCENE OF ITS OCCUR-RENCE-THEORY OF THE CRIME-THE MUTI-

BURTON, Weizel county, March 21, 1878.
I reached the scene of the Baker-Church massacre four P. M. A large number of people had collected and were divided into groups, discussing the details of the fiendish, hellacts. A thrill of horror has passed through all, and men ask, with bated breath, what of some poor, unprotected female, and the cry will not be unanswered, for help will come, and woo betide the next perpetrator of crime in that neighbor hood if the majesty of law is not vindicated in this

Baker's cabin, a smail affair, is situated in a cove half way up a towering hill, still clothed in its coating of virgin forest. It is just above the head of a

half way up a lowering hill, still clothed in its coating of virgin forest. It is just above the head of a steep, rocky, wild guich, leading down to the large stream (Long Drain), and about three-lourths of a mile up. It is completely surrounded with forest, was finished two weeks ago, and occupied by the Baker family last Saturday week. The surrounding country is very rough and exceedingly picturesque, ranging from the deep green pine to the black stone that looms out in tremendous size from top to bottom of the hills, the bases of which are weened by the deep blue rushing waters of the Drain.

THE SCENE OF THE TRACKEY.

The scenery, as I said, is quite picturesque, equalling in many instances they-comes of the Tyrol and Carskill. From the cabin, by crossing the head of the cove and ascending the high knob, we reach the scene of the Gouble murder, that of Mrs. Baker and child, about three-fourths of a mile from the cabin.

There the mother lay, her blood and brains bespattering the fence, brush, leaves and ground, with her ghasily, blood-stained lace upturned to the sun and lorest trees. Over her body lay that of the infant, wrapped in a light covering, and on the tence hung the shawl of the mother.

After the jury had viewed the facts the Judge ordered the reinoval of all the bodies to the house of William S, Church, the father of the girl. While one party carried the body of the girl, tied in a heavy sheet and strung on a pole, down the narrow dealle, another moved the mother and child in a like manner, and all assembled at the house about the same time.

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How the deed was done.

The clothes of the brother, John Wallace, on examination, showed evidence of blood on the shirt wristbands and neck yoke, and had evidently been washed the high before. His boots (which were brought from his home) he had greated early the morning following the murder, and compared exactly with the footprints lound on the hillside, and all the way up the hill in company with the woman and child to the top, where he began the attack. The prints show where she turned short off and ran from him until she encountered the fence against which she ran and evidently attempted to surmount. At this point she was overtaken and received the first blow, and the child was taken and its brains beaten out on a rail of the lence. The mother recovered and ran on ten steps, when she was again overtaken and the work himshed.

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Alexander Vanborn, who lives three-fourths of a mice from Baker's, on the opposite hillside, says that at half-past seven o'clock he heard cries coming from the direction of Baker's, on the hoposite hillside, says that at half-past seven o'clock he heard cries coming from the direction of Baker's, on the opposite hillside, says that at half-past seven o'clock he heard cries coming from the direction of Baker's, on the opposite hillside, says that at half-past seven o'clock he heard cries coming from the direction of Baker's on the bonds in the last of it. Now, at this time John Wallsce was in Littleton and the husband cannot establish where he was from seven till eight o'clock, or from the time he and his brother hartes in Littleton until he turned up at Mr. Conaway's where he boarded.

Did George Baker (alias Walliace), in the interval of one hour and a lew minutes, go to the cable, commit the deed and return, travelling in that time fully eight miles? It he did not, then he is innocent, for Mr. Conaway's says he was in his house from eight o'clock till next morning. Again, the testimony of the doctors will show that the woman and girl were both outraged.

Early to-day John Wallace took some men to a spot near the house, where he picked up a stonemason's hammer, the pole and handle of which were covered with blood, which he said his brother (the husband) had directed him to. He was then closely examined, and in a pocket of his coat was found a pair of brass knuckles showing blood marks.

Each man now charges the other with the whole matter, and probably to-night a full or partial contession of guilt may be made.

Strangers are arriving on the spot, men different

from those of yesterday, and it is possible, if they continue coming, that by morning some neighboring tree will bear a ghastly load as a sequel to the horrible tragedy.

[From the same.]

LINTLETON, March 21, 1875.

The victims are laid out at the house of William Church, isther of the murdered girl. The mother and innocent base lay side by side, and the girl on the opposite side of the soom, all ready for their coffus. The girl and Mrs. Baker have horrible gashes on their foreheads, and present a hideous sight, while the little babe lies by its mother's side, with no marks except on one side of its head, where it is bruised as if it had been taken by the heels and knocked against a tree. The only reason known for this crime was merely the gratification of the murderer's orutish nature, who, after accomplishing his hellish designs, killed his victims to escape desection.

HUNTER BEHIND BARS.

THE MURDERER'S MIND UNEAST-STRANGE LETTERS WRITTEN FROM PRISON-SHAMMING INBANITY.

(From the Philadelphia Inquirer, March 23.1 widence is unmistakable that the terrible crime he he asserts, burts bim constantly. He comorday aftersoon as he was about to partake of supper. His face looks haggard and he has jest some badly and experiences great difficulty in getting to sleep, and even when he does he wakes up frequently

To Mrs. Mary H. Wardler, Daleville, Luserne county, Pa.:

My Dran Ninge-I am now boarding in one of the larges
houses in this city, and am the guest of His Honor th
Sheriff. I have a room all to myeel! It has all the moder
improvements, such as wash-tand, water closet, &c.
have been introduced to the high Judge of the county b
the learned District Attorney. They think so much of m
that they will not even let me go out for lear I cate
cold. The girls that eventy the adjoining from in th
same hotel have heard that I was wealthy, and the
want to cot acquainted with me, but I tell them that
don't hold no conversation with prisoners. Affectionately

deiphia. P.a.:—
I was taken to Camdoù in the silent hours of the night, put under an examination lasting two and a quarter hours, the Sheriff and Mayor being present.

He also says in this letter:—

DEAR SAMUET.—Please not call to see me, I don't was the Sheriff to think shat I have any poor relations. The girls that occupy an adjoining parlor in the hote with mave heard that I am weathly, and want to make my a quaintance, but I have given them to understand that don't wish to hold any conversation with prisoner

One of these letters reads as though Hunter ba was usane.

The other letters are equally as meaningless, and seemed to have been written with the intention of being as nonsensical as possible.

AN ATROCIOUS CRIME.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE HERALD.] SYRACUSE, N. Y., March 23, 1878.

An Irishman, twenty-five years old, named Bert sault upon a little daughter of Marvin Chase, of Payettville, nine miles from this city. The girl is aged nine years. Laning caught her as she was going home from school, about four o'clock Thursday afterneon, in a lonely part of the road. The child's acreams attracted the attention of two men who were working in a boatyard. Before they could cross the canal and reach the place the villain had fied. Laning is one of the worst characters in that part of the country.

THIEVES CAUGHT.

CHARGED WITH A HEAVY SNEAK ROBERTY IN NASSAU STREET LAST JANUARY-STOCKS. BONDS, &C., BECOVERED.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE HERALD. ]

PETERSBURG, Va., March 23, 1878. The community was thrown into considerable excitement this alternoon by the arrest of four persons charged with having committed a heavy robbery in last the office of Mr. James H. Young, No. 49 Nassa street, New York, was entered, and certificates, bonds, stocks and securities to the amount of \$200,000 or more were stolen. After the robbers the parties, it is alleged, separated and fled from that city, and have not been seen until within the last day or two in Petersburg. The case was committed to a detective agency to be worked up, under the promise of a liberal loward if success crowned their efforts. Every endeavor was made to trace the guilty parties, and traces of them were occasionally obtained, which, followed up by shrewd detectives, have resulted in the arrest of the aloged guilty ones. Last week a stranger arrived from the South at Jarratt's Hotel and, registering his name as C. Burton, asked for a good room, stating that his wife would join him on the following day. On the next day a woman arrived here from the North and joined him as his wife. They remained quietly at the hotel until last night, when there arrived on the southern train another person who registered at the same hotel under the name of Rufus Minor. Yesterday morning George Carson came to the city from the North, and took a room at the Bollingbrook Hotel.

SHADOWED.

On Thursday evening Detective James A. Gallagher, of New York, reached the city, and on yesterday succeeded in locating three of the persons above mentioned, on whom, with the assistance of our locatiophics, he kept constant watch. This morning the detective west before the Mayor and swore out a warrant for the arrest of all loor of these persons, charging them with the their of Mr. Young's bonds and stocks.

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CAUGHT AND CAGED:

The warrant was promptly executed, the four prisoners being found together in a room in the City Hotel. They were placed in the hotel omnibus and driven down to the jail in the custody of the efficers. Their names are given as follows:—George Carson, alias Little Gorge, alias J. H. Cornisn; Rutus Minor, shas Little Rufe, alias R. Andrews; Horace Abrams, alias Horace Hovan, alias Little Horace, alias C. Burton; Charlotte Doherty, alias Carrie Abrams, alias Mrs. C. Burton. The detective gives them all a bad character, and inimates that they are suspected of having been at different times engaged in other heavy robberes of this kind. The Mayor this alternoon advised Governor Holliday of the arcests, and it is presumed the Governor Holliday of the arcests, and it is presumed the Governor Holliday of the arcests, and it is presumed the Governor Holliday of the arcests, and it is presumed the Governor Holliday of the arcests, and the presumed the Governor in New York has been advised in order that ne may make the necessary requisitions.

A BOD AND ADROIT TREFT.

On the 2d of January the clerk in the office of J. H. Young was called out to see an invalid in a carriage in the street, said invalue being too unwell to go into the office. The cierk was detained for some time at the carriage, conversing with the occupant about real estate and the value of different securities. Meanwhile the office was entered by confederates and robbed of the \$200,000 in question, and the thieves made good their escape. The property stolen embraces the bonds of railroads in various portions of the country, bank stocks, gas stocks, insurance stocks and bonds of several cities.

Money to the amount of about \$275 was taken from the prisoners in Jail, and an aduntonal sum was taken from the prisoners in Jail, and an aduntonal sum was taken from the discovery of a ingress move to the bonds and stock answering to

A DILAPIDATED PRISONER.

Among the prisoners brought before Judge Bixby at the Tombs Police Court on Tuesday last was a man named Joannes Kelley, who was charged with named Joannes Kelley, who was charged with indecently assaulting a little girl. His custodian was Officer Davitt, of the Fifth precinct. When placed at the bar Kelly presented a dilapidated appearance. His face was cut and one of bin syus was roused and swellen and the eye burged from the socket. Seeing that a hospital was more fitting for him than a prison the Judge ordered his removal there, having first ascertained, however, that his injuries were inflicted by the officer. Since then the man has lain in Bellevue Hospital very sick, and last

Bursting of the Steam Chimney of the Magenta.

A SCENE OF HORROR

Three Men Killed and Seven Wounded.

and the Boat Hands.

IS ANYBODY TO BLAME THIS TIME:

Testimony of the Captain

day. This time the Hudson River, just a little south the Magenta, a large river boat, plying between Haver-

The Magenta left Haverstraw for New York yesterday morning, at twenty minutes to seven o'clock, that being her advertised time of starting. It is estimated sengers. Sing Sing, the first stopping place, was reached at about ten minutes past seven. At this place the best took on about sixty passengers, composed for the most part of small housekeepers, who do their weekly marketing in the city. After leaving Sing Sing the steamboat passed the prison and arrived opposite a point known as Mount Maury, situated about equi-distant from Sing Sing and Scarborough, when a terrific explosion occurred on board. The saloon and hurricane decks rushed in all directions in the forward portion of the boat, and the lew terrifled passengers who were not cipitately for safety.

The boat has two engines, well forward. It was the

which the steam from the boiler on the starboard side passes to the engine that exploded. The iron of which this lining is composed was originally three-eighths of an glinch in thickness, is within the steam leader, by staybolts about two inches in diameter. The hole left by the down the pipe-and about two feet across. The quantity of steam that shot through this aperture with shaken from stem to stern, jarring and alarming stant and violent death was upon them for severa minutes. The helplessness of the situation, which for

shore, owing perials to the distance the boat was out in the river.

As soon as the steam had cleared away a horrible sight presented itself. Two men by dead on the main deck forward, having been literally bottled alive, their faces and hands being shockingly swollen, eyes closed, and fiesh presenting the appearance of cooked meat. Several others lay around writing in agony, some-of them having evidently inhaled the fatal steam, while others again were scaled in various portions of their bodies, some of thom being beyond hope of recovery. Fortunately the femme passengers, numbering about fity, escaped injury, with the exception of one young woman, who was slightly scaled in the face. As might naturally be expected they were frightened beyond description, many of them screaming in terror through fear that the boat was going beyond description, many of them screaming in terror through fear that the boat was going to sink. Through the efforts of Capitan Smith, who made his way as soon as possible to the stern of the boat, where the temale passengers had assembled, their apprehensions of further danger were dispoiled by being assured that the explosion had done its

worst.

A portion of one of the bollers had blown out, earry ing away some twelve or litteen feet of the light joiner work on the main deck forward, knocking down stanchtons, and in its secent making a large hole in the hurricane deck. A boy named Hammond, who stanchions, and in its aboy named Hammond, who the hurricane deck. A boy named Hammond, who stood near where the explosion occurred, was missed immediately afterward and has not since been found. It is believed that he was blown overboard.

The following is a list of the killed and injured:

ALFRED REYNOLDS, aged sixty, a carpenter, who have a sauth Malcolin street, Sing Sing, and who was

lived in South Malcolm street, Sing Sing, and who was formerly a keeper in the State Prison.

STEPHEN WRIGHT, aged lorty, who resided in State street, Sing Sing.

WILLIAM HARMOND, aged fourteen, whose parents live at Pieasantville, blown overboard and not seen siterward.

not seen afterward.

RICHARD LOWE, aged sixty-eight, residing in South Malcolm street. Sing Sing, and engaged as bookkeeper for a hardware firm in Warren street, New York; terribly scaled about the head and body; is not expected to survive.

IRA BALLEY, aged wenty-two, living at Pleasant-tille. frightially resided all over. His injurious are

IRA BALLET, aged twenty-two, hving at Pleasant-ville; frightically readed all over. His injuries are pronounced fatal by the dector who attenus him. WILLIAM POWERS, aged twenty, living at Pleasantville, badly scalded about the head and body, He may recover. WILLIAM FILEMING, aged twenty-five, living at Crotonville, seriously scalded. He is now in Sing

sing.

JAMES BRUNDIGE, aged thirty five, living at Sing Sing, stightly scalded

Miss BAILEY, aged seventeen, scalded badly on the
bands and arms. She was taken to her home at

VILLIAM TAYLOR, a resident of Newark, night

bands and arms. She was taken to her home at Pleasantville.

WILLIAM TAYLOR, a resident of Newark, night watchman of the boat, scalded, not very seriously.

DAMAGE TO THE MOAT.

The apparent damage to the boat is very slight. The owners say it could be repaired for an outlay of \$200 if the local inspectors of steam engines do not insist upon a more radical overhauling of the boat than repairing the mere injury done.

AID FROM THE ALKIS.

Shortly after the expiosion occurred the steamer Alexis, of the apposition line, came promptly to the assistance of the disabled boat, when the passengers of the latter were transerred to her without delay. The Thomas P. Way, the aister boat of the Magenta, arrived soon after on the scene and took the wounded passengers who lived at the dock in Sing Sing placed them in carriages and had them driven to the nearest drug store, where temporary relief was afforded them, after which they were conveyed to the American Hotel. The attention shown by Captain Smith to the sufferers elicited much praise from the people of Sing Sing.

AR PRINOPE.

It appears that Ira Bailey, Miss Bailey (bis sister), william Powers and the poor boy William Hammond into Prinsantville together early in the morning for the parpose of going to New York on the steamer Magenta. Hammond, when last seen, was standing forward in the immediate vicinity of where the explosion occurred. All scarce on board the Alexa assect that no boy answering his description was taken off the Magenta by them. As a consequence his friends nave given him up for lost.

William Taylor had been sleeping in his berth and was startled by the noise of the explosion. In his fright he rushed on deck with bare lost and into the scalding water. He was brought to New York on the Scalding water. He was brought to New York on the Scalding water. He was brought to New York on the Scalding water. He was brought to New York on the Scalding water. He was brought to New York on the Thomas P. Way and is now in the New York in a vain endeavor to discover

Coroner Fosuay, of Peckskill, arrived at Sing Sing

on the bodies of Aifred Reynolds and Stephen Wright. The tollowing teatimony was chicited:—
Ephram Houghtaining, being duly sworn, testified:—
I reside in the city of New York; an an engineer and have been such since 1861; was onjuneer of the steamer stakents on the morning of March 23; we left liserstraw at twenty minutes to seven and arrived of Star Sing Sing at ten minutes past seven; nothing occurred on board the steamer until we got off the flats; we had just got into deep water, at a point of Scarborough, when the shell of the right hand botler blew out, parily on the main deck and partly on the upper deck about amidships; the explosion sounded like the going off of a cannon; I had just left the ensite room for a lew moments; left William Flood, the fireman, who is also second engineer, in charge; the amount of steam had not been increased in order to get off the flats; it was about three minutes after left the engine room it was thirty-seven pounds; the steamer is registered at lifty pounds; the amount of steam had not been increased in order to get off the flats; it was about three minutes after left the engine room that the explosion occurred; have been on the boat about three weeks; it is my opiniou the boilers appeared all right; have examined the specimen of iron in the chimner, and am convinced that it is too thin; it showed three eights of an inch thick; the boilers and chimneys are three years old, and going on lour; when the inspectors made an inspection of the boilers and the chimners; when I left the engine room I observed nothing unusual in regard to either the boilers or chimneys; after the explosion I saw the bodies of Mr. Wright and Reprodie; one of the bodies lay near the forward gangway, and the other about half way to where the stove stood; the serious tood hear midships; the object of having the bouters and the chimneys is to keep the principal inspection is sued by John Mathews, the principal inspection was middle on June, 1877; when I became engineer of a steamer I generally make as

when I left the engine room; I got no instructions from the pints or capitan to increase steam.

STATEMENT OF A FREMAN.

William Flood testified as lotiows:—I reside in New York city; am a dreman on steamers and have been in the business since 1855; was holding the piston rod on the steamer Magenta on the morning of Maren 23, 1868; had been on the steamer Magenta on the morning of Maren 23, 1868, the engineer, Ephraim Houghtains, of March 23, 1868, the engineer, Ephraim Houghtains, left me in charge of the engine while he went to breakisst; this was his common practice; some four or five minutes after he left the bell was rung to go alicad "wide open;" I opened the throttle in answer to the bell, and while I had my hand on the throttle the exposion came; aid not look at the steam gauge when I went into the room; at the time of the caplosion the steam gauge indicated below forty or forty-five ponnas; the opening of the throttle dd not increase the amount of steam but only increased the speed of the boat; have

tween thirly-five and forty pounds; got out of the engine room as soon as possible; saw the bodies after the explosion.

THE CAPTAIN'S TESTIMONY.

John P. Smith testified:—I reside in Nyack, Rockland county; my business has been mostly steamboating; have acted in the capacity of captain, pitot and engineer; my business at present its acknowledged captain of the steamer Magenia; had left Haverstraw at 6:40, March 23, 1878; we arrived at Sing Sing at 7:10 A. M., and left about seven minutes later; we took on beard about fifty passengers at Sing Sing; after we left Sing Sing of the steamer Magenia; had not my breakfast, and then went up on the burricane deck to relieve the pilot to let him go to breakfast; had just stepped into the pilot house and took solid of the wheel and saked him if he had given the "jungle" to denote that we were off the flats; he said sho was just going off the flats; he said sho was just going off the flats; I pulled the bell for the engine, and immediately I left a concussion and heard a rumbling noise, not a very loud noise; turned around and saw the steam flying; then stopped down to the forward promenade deck and then opened the upper seloon doors, there I tound I could not get through and their climbed back on the burricane deck; from there I reached the upper deck and aucceeded in reaching the passengers af; then I got down on the main deck, lorward, where I saw the bodies of two men lying; examined and found them dead; another man lying there I spoke to, but he could not answer me; saw no others lying around, but there were a lew gentlemen near who were slightly interesting the passengers af; then I got down on the main deck, lorward, where I saw the bodies of two men lying; examined and found them dead; another man lying there I spoke to, but he could not answer me; saw no others lying around, but there were a lew gentlemen near who were slightly interesting the passengers af; then I got down on the main deck, lorward, where I saw the bodies of two men lying; examined and found the

corroded and worn by the water and steam; have been on the Magenta about two weeks.

WHAT THE PHOT SAID.

Edward Carman tostified:—I reside at Canarsie, I. I.; my business is steamboat pilot, and have been in toat business about ten years; have occupied that position on board the steamer Magenta about eight years; we came on the Haverstraw and New York route two weeks from to-day; shortly after leaving years; we came on the Haverstraw and New York route two weeks from to-day; shortly after leaving Sing Sing Sing I heard a concussion and felt a jar, and then saw sleum and water coming up through the hurricane deck; when it was possible I got down on the promenade deck and opened the windows and then saw the bodies of the deceased persons; aw a number of parties injured; had free charge of the boat, being pilot and master; had control of the engineer by the bell; gave instructions to increase speed, as our habit has been to go a little faster after we get off the flats; have examined the piece of iron shown and recognize it as a portion of the steam chimney of the Magenta; it is not the usual thickness of iron used in steam chimneys; taink it is sliegother too thin for its purpose; there were no repairs made on board the boat in the past winter; she was inspected in June, 1877, but I do not know the name of the inspector; she had new boilers and chimneys put in her about our years ago; the chimneys were retined about one year ago; the sit is a secient that has ever occurred on board the boat; the amount of steam that she is registered to carry is fifty pounds.

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EXCITEMENT IN THIS CITY.

As soon as the news of the disaster was received in New York there was the unmost anxiety prevailing among those whose friends or relatives resided in the neighborhood of the accident and who were in the habit, since the opening of navigation, of coming to and returning from the city on the steamer. The telegraph offices were crowded with anxious ones, it was not very long, however, before the arrival of the Thomas F. Way and Alexis at their wharves—the former conveying some of the wounded men and the latter the bulk of the Magenta's passengers—unfolued the true story to anxious inquirers thronging the docks. An ambulance was telegraphed for to the New York Hospital, and when it arrived at Pier No. 22 North River, William Taylor, the watchman on loard of the Magenta, was conveyed to it and rapidly driven to the institution on Fifteenth street.

THE WOUNDED WATCHMAN'S STORY.

A Birkald Preporter visit of the hospital, and after the doctors and dresses the sufferer's burns the writer was permitted to see him. Proceeding to ward K, on the third floor, in the Birket of the hospital, and after the doctors and dresses the sufferer's burns the writer was permitted to see him. Proceeding to ward K, on the third floor, in the Birket of the hospital, and after the doctors and dresses the sufferer's burns the writer was permitted to see him. Proceeding to ward K, on the third floor, in the Birket of the hospital and there were swelled. His eyes were closed, his mouth and cheeks were swollen, and the physician said the jaws, neck and that he belonged to Newark, was night watchman on board the stage and was thrown from his berth. He was enveloped in hot stoam and had—as he expressed it—to wate torough scalating was to board

The official in charge of the bureau of steamboat The official in charge of the bureau of steamboat inspection informed the reporter that the engineer examined by the United States for service on the Magenta at the date embodied in the above report was Nelson Doane, who had been bleened by the government authorities for twenty-two years; but it appeared by the imperiest reports that another engineer was in charge of the infortunate boat, the habit being for engineers to frequently quange their situation.

THE ROLLER MAKERS.

Messrs. Fletcher & Harrison, the makers of the boiler, said;—"The laspector of Boilers is only re-

## AMUSEMENTS.

ITALIAN OPERA-"AIDA" AT BOOTH'S.

of the opera of "Aids," in which Miss Clara Louise much artistic success. It was a gathering that represented not only the diste of the metropolis, but of Brooklyn, Jersey City, Newark, Enzabeth, Paterson and other suburbs. The public musical taste may exhibit wide differences with regard to the grade that other works, perhaps because it has not the rime o age upon it, and was intended specifically to delight the Knedtve of Egypt at one of his Oriental speciacies in 1872 Nevertheless, when given as it was at the mating yesterday, filled with light and color, glowing with sensuous music, torceful in drative than the song, for one can almost shut his eyes in every act and follow the thought which the com-

nevery act and follow the thought which the composer seeks to interpret. When, added to this is the rich vocatism of the principal artists and of a chorus which, by the practice of a week or two, has become exceptionally effective, it may be readily understood that the opera of Alda has not been carciessly selected by Mr. Atrakosch as a price de résistance during his present seasol.

In the part of Alda, which Miss Kellogg has during this engagement iffest presented to New York, the prima donna has fairly added another to her many triumpis, lier performance yesterday, as on the previous renditions, won well-deserved applianss, and notwithstanning the fact that owing to illness in the morning it was thought she might be unable to appear she has once the excellence of an artiste and the pride of a prima donna. Miss Carv, too, one of the public's favorities—strong, hearty, sympathetic, rarely overdoing anything, seldom singing at an audence and always conscientiously mindful of the task before nor—evenly divided the nonors of the occasion in personating her original part of Amneris, the Egyptian princess. Both of the ladies were frequently recained and florally complimented—not, however, at heretofore, to the extent of bad taste. Frapolitical and, and his robust voice and generally good acting evidently justify the choice marle by the impressario in adopting nim on the attention of European reputation and without preliminary trial, Messra. Gotischalk, G. Verdi and G. A. Conly sang with grace and correctness.

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Wednosday, "H Trovatore;" Thursday, "Balls is
Maschera," and Friday, "Lucia."

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC NOTES. "A Social Session" of the Order of Eiks is to take place this evening at Chickering Halt.

out on the stage at Niblo's to-morrow night. At the Grand Opera House to-night Downing gives nother of his popular Sunday evening concerts. Tony Paster and his troupe of variety performer

The "Colebrated Case" at the Union Square appear

Birch, Backus and Wambold, of the San Francisco Minstrels, will bring out several novelties during the

The feature at the Olympic Theatre, commencing to-morrow night, is "Gretchen, the Shepherdess Jura.'

edy, will be continued another week at the Bowery. The cast is a good one. "Evangeline" will hold the boards of the Grand Opera House during the week, and be followed by the Williamsons in "Struck Oil,"

son to-morrow night at Gilmore's Garden. The addi-

tions are said to be very attractive. practice of the school girl elicits great laughter.

At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, West Forty fifth street, the choirs will this evening sing Havdn's Robson and Crane are going on an extended tous through the provinces under the management of Mr. E. Abbey, as soon as they stop drawing at the

Park Thoutre.
Dr S. M. Landis, of Philadelphia, will deliver his lecture on the subject of "Pulpit, Stage and Press," at the dime concert this evening The Jubilee Sing ers also appear.

Miss Maggie Mitchell reproduces her beautiful play of "Fanchon" at the Standard Theatre to-morros night. This is one of the most popular characteriza-

tions of the artist. During the present week one of the old-time bills will be presented at Wallack's, three bills being pre-

Coleman's famous five act comedy, "The Heir at

Law," is to be produced at the Filth Avenue Theatre to-morrow night, with Mr. J. S. Clarke in the part of Dr. Pangloss, L.L. D. and A. S. S. Miss Marie Booth, the niece of Edwin Booth, will appear as Cicely Home-At the Germania Theatre to-morrow and Tuesday

evening will be performed the four act comedy "Auf Eigenen Füssen." Wednesday evening, for Mr. Raberg's benefit, a new comody, entitled "Von Sieben die Hasslichste," will be produced and repeated during the balance of the week. "Champagne and Oysters" will constitute the "feast

of reason and the flow of soul" at the Brooklyn Park

Theatre this week. It will be served up by the company which has waited upon the New York public, and there is promise that the good cheer will be consumed with a famous appetite on the other side of the Eas River. Edward Harrigan's buriesque entitled "A Celebrated

Hard Case," Don Ferevra, "a man-flute," from Lie-bon, is announced to appear. It is said that he excutes difficult operatic selections without the aid any instrument and gives a clover imitation of the The Aquarium management have recently been un fortunate in losing several valuable curiosities. First the white whale went, then the poor little chimpanzee, and lastly the young hippopotamus. Between the trained horses, however, the remaining man monkey

and other objects of attraction the place always repays the visitor. Mme. Florence Rice-Knox will give her first concert in this city since her return from Europe at Steinway Hall on the 30th inst. Mme Rice-Knox is well spoken of by most of the critics abroad. She will be assisted by Miss Kate Douglass, Miss Adelaide Randall, Mr.

Leon Bertheiot, Mr. A. E. Stoddard, Mr. Fred. Dulken, and Mr. Caulfield, the organist. "The Extles" continue to attract large houses at the Brondway Theatre. The Long Island Railroad bas made arrangements to run special trains. Mr. George Fawcett Rowe, Mr. D. H. Harkine, Mr. C. Rockwoll and other members of the Broadway Company will appear in Baltimere during the week. Owing to the death of her lather at eleven o'clock yesterday, Mise Minnie Cummings did not appear at the Broadway is the "Exites" yesterday. Her part was read.

## A CHILD SCALDED.

The Coroners' office was notified yesterday of the No. 276 First avenue, who died from the effects of scalds. While carrying the child to her arms his mother was overcome with a lainting fit, and the cuid was dropped from her embrace into a tub of boiling water.